

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
Mayoral Proclamation

Energy Awareness Month and ENERGY STAR® Change a Light Program

WHEREAS, energy efficiency is important to the City of Takoma Park because it saves consumers and businesses money, and helps protect the environment because it lessens greenhouse gas emissions and reduces air pollution; and

WHEREAS, the nation's Mayors are committed to maintaining secure, safe and affordable energy resources for their citizens; and

WHEREAS, by taking the ENERGY STAR Change a Light pledge during November 2006, citizens of Takoma Park, Maryland have the opportunity to save energy and to help voluntarily reduce greenhouse gas emissions by switching to ENERGY STAR qualified compact fluorescent lighting products in their homes; and

WHEREAS, if every home in Takoma Park made this one change, our city would save 4,878,318 kWh of electricity, the environmental equivalent of removing 123 cars from the road while also reducing the amount of greenhouse gas emissions going into the air by 7,698,055 pounds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park is proud to do its part in this nationwide effort, celebrating the month of November as Energy Awareness Month, to promote energy efficiency and environmental stewardship in every household, and encouraging the installation of ENERGY STAR qualified lighting.

NOW THEREFORE, I, KATHRYN H. PORTER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, accept the Change a Light pledge and encourage the citizens of Takoma Park to make this important change, and by virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor, hereby proclaim November 2006 as Energy Awareness Month in Takoma Park.

Dated this 23rd day of October 2006.

Kathryn H. Porter
Mayor